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Application of: He et al.

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Title: Interleukin-1 Beta Converting Enzyme  
Like Apoptosis Protease-3 and 4PRELIMINARY AMENDMENTCommissioner For Patents  
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Sir:

Prior to examination, applicants hereby request that the following amendment and remarks be entered into the above-identified application. Applicants submit concurrently herewith: (a) Submission of Substitute/Formal Drawings of Figures 1A-B, 2A-B, and 3A-C (7 sheets) with copies of drawings as originally filed with changes marked; (b) a Substitute Sequence Listing in both paper and computer-readable forms; and (c) in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(c)(1)(ii), a Version of Amendments With Markings to Show Changes Made. Please amend the application as follows.

**In the Specification:**

On page 1, after the title, please insert

A1  
--This application is a continuation of, and claims priority under 35 U.S.C § 120 to, U.S. Patent Application No. 08/334,251, filed November 1, 1994, which is herein incorporated by reference in its entirety.--

A2  
Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 4, line 7, with the following written paragraph:

-- Figures 1A-B show the cDNA and corresponding deduced amino acid sequence of ICE-LAP-3. The polypeptide encoded by the amino acid sequence shown is the putative mature form of the polypeptide (minus the